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From: Foster, Althea
Sent: Fri 8/7/2015 4:10:10 AM
Subject: Fwd: Gold King Update 20150806 16:15

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From: "Skibitski, Thomas, NMENV" <thomas.skibitski@state.nm.us>
Date: August 6, 2015 at 6:25:39 PM CDT
To: "Foster, Althea" <Foster.Althea@epa.gov>
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This one?

From: NICC [<mailto:NICC@HQ.DHS.GOV>]
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2015 3:24 PM
Subject: (FOUO) Situational Awareness Report – Spill of Wastewater Into River After Mine Plug Blowout – San Juan County, CO - 06 Aug 15

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For your situational awareness:

Critical Infrastructure Involved: Water (Wastewater)

Open sources reported a spill of approximately one million gallons of wastewater into the Animas River after a mine plug blowout at the Gold King Mine in San Juan County, CO:

- Health and environmental officials are evaluating the river

- The spill is threatening water quality, which prompted warnings to agricultural and recreational water users
- Drinking water has not been affected
- All agricultural water users have been asked to shutter their water intakes
- Owners are being advised to keep pets and livestock out of the river until further testing can be completed
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife biologists are monitoring the impact on fish and other wildlife
- The river flows through Durango and into the San Juan River in Farmington, NM

The NICC anticipates further reporting on this incident as the situation develops.

*** This information is based on initial reporting and is being provided for your situational awareness. Reporting may have inaccuracies due to a rapidly developing situation and is subject to change.**

If you have any questions or concerns about this matter, contact the NICC at 202-282-9201 or NICC@hq.dhs.gov. Thank you.

V/r,

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